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SUBJECT: UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA COMMENTS ON SWAPO

AND KISSINGER-VORSTER MEETING

1. DURING HIS ONE DAY STOP IN MAPUTO ON SEPTEMBER 1, UN HIGH COMMISSIONER KSEAN MACBRIDE TOLD LOCAL NEWSMEN THAT THE CURRENT SITUATION IN NAMIBIA WAS FROUGHT WITH DANGER AND THAT IF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO OPEN A MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE ON NAMIBIA, "THIS DIALOGUE MUST BE WITH SWAPO ONLY BECAUSE SWAPO IS RECOGNIZED BY THE UN AS THE SOLE AUTHENTIC AND LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE." MACBRIDE SAID THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE "TO TRY TO ENSURE THAT SOUTH AFRICA ENTERS INTO DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS WITH SWAPO."

2. CONCERNING THE SECOND MEETING BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER AND PRIME MINISTER VORSTER, MACBRIDE SAID THAT "IF THESE CONVERSATIONS RESULT IN THE CREATION OF DIVISIONS IN NAMIBIA, THIS WOULD BE VERY BAD BECAUSE THIS COULD PROVIDE THE CON-
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DITIONS FOR A TYPE OF CIVIL WAR IN NAMIBIA. HE

EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE SECOND ROUND OF
KISSINGER-VORSTER TALKS WOULD NOT PRODUCE THIS RESULT.
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